



FR. MARUSKIN COUNCIL #10936

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Council Calendar October

Note: Council Leads Rosary before all October Holy Family weekend Masses.

16: 7 p.m., Rosary before 7:30 General Meeting, HF LCH.

Snack: C. Schrickel.

18: 6 p.m., Fraternal Benefit Night, co-hosted with Cuyahoga Falls Council #2362 at St. Eugene Hall.

19: 6:30 p.m., Degree Ceremony, HF Fr. Szabo Parish Center.

21-22: Walking with Moms in Need Roll-out, after all October Holy Family weekend Masses.

28: 1 p.m., Issue 1 Election Info Session with Peter Range, Ohio Right to Life, Holy Family Church.

November

1: 7:30 p.m., Officers Meeting, Holy Family LCH, Room 2.

4-5: Council Leads Rosary before all HF weekend Masses.

7: Ohio General Election Day.

19: 9 a.m., Council Memorial Mass, Holy Family Church.

20: 7 p.m., Rosary before 7:30 General Meeting, HF LCH-1.

Snack: Art Barbetta

Monthly Meetings:

Third Monday of the month, 7:30 p. m.

Holy Family Parish

LCH - Room 1

(Rosary at 7 p. m.)

Council Website:

holyfamilystow.org/kofcstow

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

by Don White



Brother Knights,

This past weekend was a busy one for our Council and I want to say **THANK YOU** to all the Knights that stepped up and volunteered for the various events. Friday, October 6, was the March for Life in Columbus, where we had SIX Knights in attendance (**See photo below, from left, Jim Lanzalotta, candidate Rich Golan, Bob Eikenburg, Pat Rynd, Neil Durbin and Ron Crock**) along with some of their family and friends.

Saturday, October 7, was the *Summit County Day of Prayer and Fasting*, hosted by Holy Family. Our group was involved throughout the day with the morning Rosary, two Masses and hours of Eucharistic Adoration throughout the day. It was nice to see so many Knights step forward to meet the challenge set forth by Council Brother and Chaplain **Fr. Mike McCandless** to have a minimum of two Knights present in the church throughout the day.

Unfortunately, I couldn't attend the events as I was on a weekend trip with my wife, Tina, celebrating our 28th wedding anniversary. We spent the weekend in Nashville, Tenn., visiting friends, who recently relocated there from Stow. I'm a big country music fan and we made sure to spend time listening to live music at some of the venues on Broadway Street. It was a great weekend where good memories were made.

We're only three weeks away from a very important election. The Ohio State Council of the Knights of Columbus has been sharing good information on **Issue 1** and reasons to support a **NO** vote. Page 3 features *Frequently Asked Questions about Issue 1*, provided by the Catholic Conference of Ohio. Please help educate your family and friends on the importance of this Issue and the need to support parents, families and, most importantly, life.

Finally, I shared an email about the upcoming *Into the Breach* program that will be led by **Dave Tortorete, Mike McNulty** and **Jerry Chiurazzi** (**See article on page 4**). This is a great opportunity to spend time reflecting and growing in your faith. I encourage your participation. And, you don't have to be a Knight to participate, so please share this program with other men in your circle that you feel would benefit from this event. Vivat Jesus!

Don



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Mike McNulty leads a decade of the Rosary, as part of Holy Family's observance of the pro-life Summit County Day of Fasting & Prayer.

Council Members Play Multiple Roles During Holy Family Day of Fasting & Prayer

Thanks to all Council Knights who participated in Holy Family Parish's Day of Fasting & Prayer for the unborn on Saturday, October 7. Brother Knights attended the opening Mass, helped lead the Rosary and stood shifts before the Blessed Sacrament until the closing Vespers and Benediction.

Participating Knights included **Art Barbetta, Mike Burke, Peter Calco, Jerry Chiurazzi, David Corley, Neil Durbin, Bob Eikenburg, Jeff Film, Andy Kaminski, John Nelson, Pat Rynd, Mike McNulty, Josh Riegle, Bill Roscoe, Bill Shonk, Dave Tortorete, Nick Villanti.**

New Knight Celebrates New Arrival

Josh Riegle, one of our newest Knights, and his wife, Erin, welcomed the newest member of the Riegle family, Margaret Rose, born at 4:03 a.m. on September 15. Mother and child -- and Dad -- are all doing well.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ISSUE 1



What is Issue 1?

Issue 1 is a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution that would endanger the health and safety of women, threaten parental rights, and allow for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. Ohioans will vote on November 7, 2023, whether to make this change to the Ohio Constitution.

What would Issue 1 do?

Put women at risk:

- **Health and safety standards in Ohio could be eliminated.** Doctors could no longer need to examine a woman or explain the risks of the abortion procedure ahead of time.

Threaten parental rights:

- **A fifteen-year-old could have an abortion without her parents knowing.** Current Ohio law requires parental notification and consent before a child under 18 can obtain an abortion. These parental right protections could be removed as they directly conflict with the amendment which would allow all individuals, including minors, to make their own reproductive decisions.

Allow for abortions of fully formed babies:

- **Abortion would be legal through all 9 months of pregnancy.** Physicians at an abortion clinic could use a woman's age or emotional well-being as a reason to perform an abortion in the 3rd trimester.

See "[Where Does it Say That?](#)" for specific information.

Would abortion be illegal in Ohio if Issue 1 does not pass?

If Issue 1 does not pass, abortion would still be legal in Ohio until a baby's heartbeat can be detected. This standard was challenged in court and placed on hold, allowing for abortions up to 22 weeks as of September 15, 2023. Current laws that protect the safety of women and parental rights would stay in effect.

Doesn't Issue 1 simply restore Ohio back to when Roe v. Wade was in effect?

Issue 1 goes dangerously beyond what was legalized in the Roe v. Wade ruling. It opens the door to remove important health and safety measures that protect women, threatens parental consent and notification of any minor seeking an abortion, and allows for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

Will miscarriage care or ectopic pregnancy treatment be denied if Issue 1 fails?

The passing or failure of Issue 1 will have no effect on the care a pregnant woman receives when her life is in danger, even if the treatment results in the loss of life of her unborn child. There is a fundamental difference between an elective abortion and the care provided after a miscarriage. In the case of an ectopic pregnancy, the life-affirming option is to surgically remove the mother's fallopian tube in which the embryo has implanted. No law restricts this care in Ohio or any other state in the country.

How is the Church helping pregnant women in need?

For decades, numerous Catholic social service agencies, in collaboration with faith-based and secular organizations, have assisted pregnant women in need with material resources and personal accompaniment during pregnancy and after their child is born. Project Rachel helps those struggling post-abortion. Every woman should be able to depend upon a community for support and the Catholic Church remains committed to woman in need.

Learn more: ohiocathconf.org

What is the Church doing to protect life and defeat Issue 1?

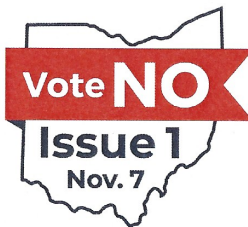
Each diocese in Ohio is working together, through the Catholic Conference of Ohio, to help Catholics understand the dangers of Issue 1 to women, parents, and life. We are also part of the Protect Women Ohio coalition to let all voters know Issue 1 is harmful for Ohioans.

What can I do to help defeat Issue 1?

1. PRAY & Fast
2. EDUCATE Yourself and TELL OTHERS about the dangers of Issue 1
3. Register & VOTE NO on Issue 1

Where can I learn more?

Read the full text of the proposed change to the Ohio Constitution and learn about the concerning language that puts women at risk, threatens parental rights, and allows for abortions through all nine months of pregnancy.



Click to View
["Where Does It Say That?"](#)

Or visit
www.ohiocathconf.org/protect

Council Sponsoring New Round of *Into the Breach* Sessions

Gentlemen, **Mike McNulty** and I are again this year co-facilitating the Knights of Columbus *Into the Breach* small group meetings. Yes, the breach still exists and it seems to be getting wider and deeper!

In 2015, Phoenix's **Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted** issued a challenge to the men of his diocese — to step into the breach. His exhortation, *Into the Breach: An Apostolic Exhortation to Catholic Men*, identifies the crisis of faith in our world and presents a vision of the role of Catholic men in combating this crisis, which seems to be deepening.

I think we would all agree that to be a man who is willing and able to “step into the breach” requires specific **tools and commitments** including:

- Striving for a life of holiness and virtue
- Praying daily and receiving the sacraments
- Fulfilling the duties of fatherhood and family life
- Supporting one's brothers in Christ and others
- A building up of courage and wisdom for stepping into the breach
- Supporting the Church

The *Into the Breach* Program is meant to help men deepen their understanding and practice of these commitments.

What is the *Into the Breach* Program?

- It's a series of guided, small group discussions.
- The discussions are supported by a series of 12, ultra-high-definition **video episodes** (lasting about 10 minutes or so), designed to “help facilitate reflection and discussion on the themes of the episodes”.
- Each of the video episodes explores a **core theme** including brotherhood, leadership, fatherhood, and spiritual warfare.
- The video series is undergirded by more than fifty **compelling speakers**, including Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted of Phoenix, former Kansas City Royals player **Mike Sweeney**, author and theologian **Dr. Scott Hahn**, speaker **Fr. Mike Schmitz**, former NFL player **Matt Birk** and actor **Clarence Gilyard** (from the movies, *Die Hard* and *Top Gun*).

The *Into the Breach* program will be conducted over 12 weeks. **The one-hour meetings require no preparation.** Meeting logistics to be determined (day of the week, time, location). Last year, we did Thursday evenings at 7 p.m., which seemed to work well. We hope to have our first meeting in November.

You can **preview the program** (which includes a 2-minute trailer) at: <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>

Trust me, these powerful videos are thought provoking, resulting in fruitful discussions and oftentimes individual “calls to action.”

Please let me know, by phone at 330-554-1277 or email: tortorete1@gmail.com if you are interested. I am hoping you might be.

Dave Tortorete



St. Mary Eucharistic Procession Enlists Council Knight' Support

Council Knights, including Nick Villanti, left corner carrier of the canopy, participated in the recent Eucharistic Procession at St. Mary Church in Hudson. Fr. Maruskin Council members also provided safety escort services for the event.



Council Knights Help Spruce Up Homes, Landscaping At Habitat Barberton *Neighborhood Reborn* Event

Father Maruskin Council Knights participated in the recent Habitat for Humanity Barberton *Neighborhood Reborn* event, assisting with critical home repairs, general landscaping, solar powered security light installation and public space improvements in the city's College Park area.

Ron Crock and **Chris Schrickel** volunteered, along with several individuals from local churches as well as Habitat employees. We were split into smaller groups to help tackle the needs of various homes in the area. We, along with two other volunteers, were assigned a home (See above photo).

We trimmed the lawn and cleaned up the flower beds, which included planting some bulbs for next spring, and spreading mulch. We also helped clean up some overgrown brush in the fence on the side of the house.

After lunch everyone was asked to help at a home that had several items that needed addressing. There we helped to add top soil to an area of the lawn that was going to be seeded as well as adding decorative stone to an area between the driveway and home.

We have upcoming Habitat volunteer dates at a home on Wednesday November 8 and at Re-Store on Saturday December 9. Habitat for Humanity is a very worthwhile cause and it gives you the opportunity to learn a new skill. Please let me know (cschrickel@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in volunteering.

Chris Schrickel



October Birthdays:

2: Deacon John Green; 4: Peter Chatigny, Daniel Krinsky, Blasé Leonatti; 6: James Swain; 8: Robert Belvedere; 13: Dr. Michael Hoffman; 15: Mike Burke; 17: Leonard Farrell, Timothy Seislove, E.J. Vale; 19: Arno Kremer; 20: Jonathan Green; 23: David Kramer; 24: Robert Hasinski, Pat Rynd; and 26: Ray Downey, Jr.

Council Presents RSVP Checks at St. Mary Parish, Hudson

One of the primary missions of the Knights of Columbus is to provide prayer and support to young people from our constituent parishes who are discerning vocations to priesthood or religious life. Each year part of our fundraising is set aside to make sure that financial support is available to the seminarians and religious through K of C's Refund Support Vocation Program (RSVP).

Grand Knight **Don White** recently presented RSVP checks to RSVP honorees from St. Mary Parish, Hudson, in recognition of their ongoing religious studies. *(See photo below: Fr. Scott Swinerton, Parochial Vicar, is in the center, flanked by family members on the left and seminarians and Grand Knight Don White on the right).* "We were fortunate to have 4 seminarians present that day, and in the case they weren't able to attend, checks were distributed to their families," Don says.

Honorees included:

Major Seminary: **Anthony Donatelli**, St. Mary Seminary, Diocese of Cleveland, and **Nick Guiney**, Congregation of the Holy Cross Major Seminary, Notre Dame, Indiana, each received \$1,000.

Minor Seminary – **Ben Baratian**, **Daniel Jordan** and **Chris Yankay**, all at Borromeo Seminary, Diocese of Cleveland, each received \$500.

Discerning Religious Sister: **Audra Hoffmeister**, Mercedarian Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, Cleveland, received \$500.

Discerning Religious Brother: **Joseph McBride**, Brotherhood of Hope, previously received \$500.

Please continue to pray for these young people as they continue their education in preparation for serving the Church.



Knight to Knight



Council Knight Peter Bartula, right, teams up with Brother Knights Pat Rynd, left, and Tom Fogle to load a motorized scooter into Pat Rynd's truck for delivery to St. Hilary Council Knight Michael Andy (right photo).

Council Members, St. Vincent DePaul Society Help Match St. Hilary Brother Knight with Needed Scooter

In consolidating some households, Council Brother Knight **Peter Bartula** found himself in possession of a motorized scooter designed for those with some disability in getting around.

He contacted Trustee **Pat Rynd**, who also serves as Life Director, remembering a past donation of a baby crib with the help of Brother Knight **Terry Bedell** and his St. Vincent de Paul folks, to see if they could find a home for the scooter.

It turns out that **Michael Andy**, a Brother Knight from St Hilary Council, has been suffering an increased weakness in the strength in his legs, which limits his mobility. Pictures were exchanged, and the deal was done with the help of Brother Knight **Tom Fogle**, and Pat's truck.

Brother Michael is now fully back up to speed as Program Director for his Council. Turns out Michael and Terry have been friends since graduating from HF Grade School a few (?) years ago. Vivat Jesus!

Pat Rynd



Honoring Our Military

Name	Branch	Assigned	Member Knight	Relation
LTC David Behling	US Army	The Pentagon	Art Barbetta	Brother-in-Law
PVT Dominic Belvedere	US Army	Ft. Leonard Wood, MO	Bob Belvedere	Nephew
MSGT Aaron Chatigny	US Air Force	Tucson, AZ	Peter Chatigny	Son
SN Patrick J. Hughey	US Navy	Gulfport, MS	Jim Hughey	Son
AWF2 (AW) Matt Schilling	US Navy	Jacksonville, FL	Regis Schilling	Son
MAJ David Villarroel	US Army	The Pentagon, VA		Himself



Prayer Requests:

Fr. Lawrence Jurcak, Fr. Michael McCandless, Fr. Andrew Gonzales, Fr. Scott Swinerton, and Fr. Joshua Trefney; Fr. Paul Rosing; Fr. John Terzano for ongoing recovery from medical complications from hip surgery; **Fr. David Halaiko** for successful cancer treatment; **Fr. Joe Mamich** for successful cancer treatment; **Art Barbetta**, for recovery from an emergency appendectomy and ongoing recovery from a fractured leg; **Kenny Bartlett; Peter Bartula** for successful rotator cuff surgery and rapid recovery; **Bryan Behling and Brandon Fisher** (nephews of **Art Barbetta**); **Mike Bedell** (brother of **Terry Bedell**), who is enduring a chronic medical condition; **Ed Bose** (brother-in-law of **Chris Schrickel**) for heart attack rehab and recovery; **Phil Bradley; Rachel Brownridge**, (wife of **Tom Brownridge**) for recovery from recent surgery; **Catherine**, (niece of **Mike Burke**) for recovery from a C-section during the birth of her daughter, **Madeline**, who was born prematurely at 24 weeks; **Jim and Helen Chatigny** (parents of **Peter Chatigny**); **Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chaoui; Paul T. Codispoti**, (son of **Nick Codispoti**), who is battling amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS); **Janet D'Antonio** (friend of **Jerry Chiurazzi**) for treatment of geographic atrophy, a serious vision problem; **Bob Davis; John Derrer** for successful treatment of ulcerative colitis; **Lori Drugan** (wife of former District Deputy **Cris Drugan**) for successful cancer treatment; **Dr. Michael Durbin** (brother of **Neil Durbin**) for ongoing recovery and healing from kidney stone surgery; **Cheryl Eckley and Nick Eckley** (wife and son of **Mark Eckley**); **Mark Eckley** for recovery from post-surgical blackouts and resulting fall injuries following hip replacement surgery; **Tess Flannery** (Catholic Charities Summit County Site Director); **Tom Fogle** for lifelong epilepsy and currently receiving outpatient psychotherapy following evaluation and inpatient treatment for suicide; **Brian Fowkes** (brother-in-law of **Chris Schrickel**) is having nerve issues in his lower body; **Bogamir Glavan**, for ongoing recovery from a stroke; **Ron Good** (friend of **Art Barbetta**) for cancer treatment); **Ken Gray** (brother-in-law of **Pat Rynd**); **Mark Gresser** for healing and full recovery from intestinal bleeding and kidney stones; **James Hudak; James Hudak Jr.** (son of **James Hudak**); **Tressa Hudak** (daughter of **James Hudak**); **Joan Knight** (daughter of **Bob Oziomek**) for recovery from a recent stroke; **Leah Kopko** (daughter-in-law of **Larry Kopko**) for recovery from tubular sclerosis/mass on her brain stem; **Sandra Krzystan** (widow of **Dan Krzystan**) for successful breast cancer treatment and recovery; **Carol Lackey** (widow of **Jack Lackey**); **Jim Lanzalotta**, for full recovery from concussion and other injuries suffered in a fall; **Chuck Lessick; Jocelyn Linnen** (sister of **Jerry Chiurazzi**) for healing and recovery of spinal neuropathy; **Bill Loudon** (brother of **Kay Eikenburg**) for treatment of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease; **Ed Loudon** (brother of **Kay Eikenburg**) for successful bladder cancer surgery; **Joseph Maji** for ongoing stroke and respiratory issue recovery; **Barb Mancine**, (widow of **Lou Mancine**), who is dealing with neuropathy and RSV; **Ada Marie** (great niece of **John Derrer**); **Dottie Mayhew; Ashley McGee; Christine McLean (Cody McLean)** for ongoing treatment for diabetes; **Judith McNulty** (mother of **Michael McNulty**) for treatment and recovery of blood clots; **Don Miller** (long-time Holy Family parishioner and lay leader); **Bob Oziomek; Joe Ploplis** (brother-in-law of **Bob Sprungle**) for successful heart surgery and stroke recovery); **Ron Reichert**, for ongoing recovery from gall bladder surgery; thanksgiving for **Josh Riegler** and his wife, **Erin**, for the safe birth of their new daughter, **Margaret Rose; Chick Riegler**; for the granddaughter of **Chick and Pat Riegler**, who is pregnant, and for her pre-born baby girl, who has been found to have a hole in her heart. (This could heal up before her birth or could require surgery after she is born); **Ben Satyshur** for healing of lingering effects of COVID-19; **Gloria Scheidler** (friend of **Bob Eikenburg**); **Kathryn Schlosser** (friend of **Mark Iati**) for successful treatment and full recovery from a serious illness; **Carl Schrickel** (father of **Chris Schrickel**) for successful knee surgery; **Fern Schrickel** (mother of **Chris Schrickel**) for heart surgery recovery; **Nick Schrickel**, (son of **Chris Schrickel**) for ongoing physical therapy and full recovery from hand surgery; **Cheryl Schumacher**, sister-in-law of **Robert Schumacher**; **Ashley and Megan Schumacher**, (nieces of **Robert Schumacher**); **Josh Schumacher** (nephew of **Robert Schumacher**); **Robert Schumacher**, for treatment of cancer of the vocal chords; **Gary Shonk** (brother of **Bill Shonk**) for successful lymphoma treatment; **Shirley Shonk** (mother of **Bill Shonk**); **Arlene Shutack** (stepmother of **Joe Shutack**) for healing of a brain aneurysm; **Norm Siroki; Elizabeth Smith** (wife of **David Smith**); **Sydney** (daughter of one of our Brother Knights) who has had a drug relapse; **Joann Vale** (mother of **E.J. Vale**), who is dealing with medical issues related to a fall; **Minnie Wagner; Molly Wagner; Joe Wasielewski** for recovery from heart surgery; and **Vanessa Wilson and Gary Wilson** (sister and brother-in-law of **Mark Kaucic**). Please continue praying for the seminarians and other young people from our constituent parishes discerning vocations to religious life, whom we support: **Ben Baratian, Jeff Crock, Anthony Donatelli, Jonathan Green, Nick Guiney, Audra Hoffmeister, Daniel Jordan, Joseph McBride, and Christopher Yankay**, along with adult missionary **Amanda Incorvati**. We also pray for all military, safety personnel and first responders, and their families.

If you know any other Knight or family members in need of prayers, please contact **Grand Knight Don White** at donwhite424@gmail.com or at 330-283-5330. Many thanks.